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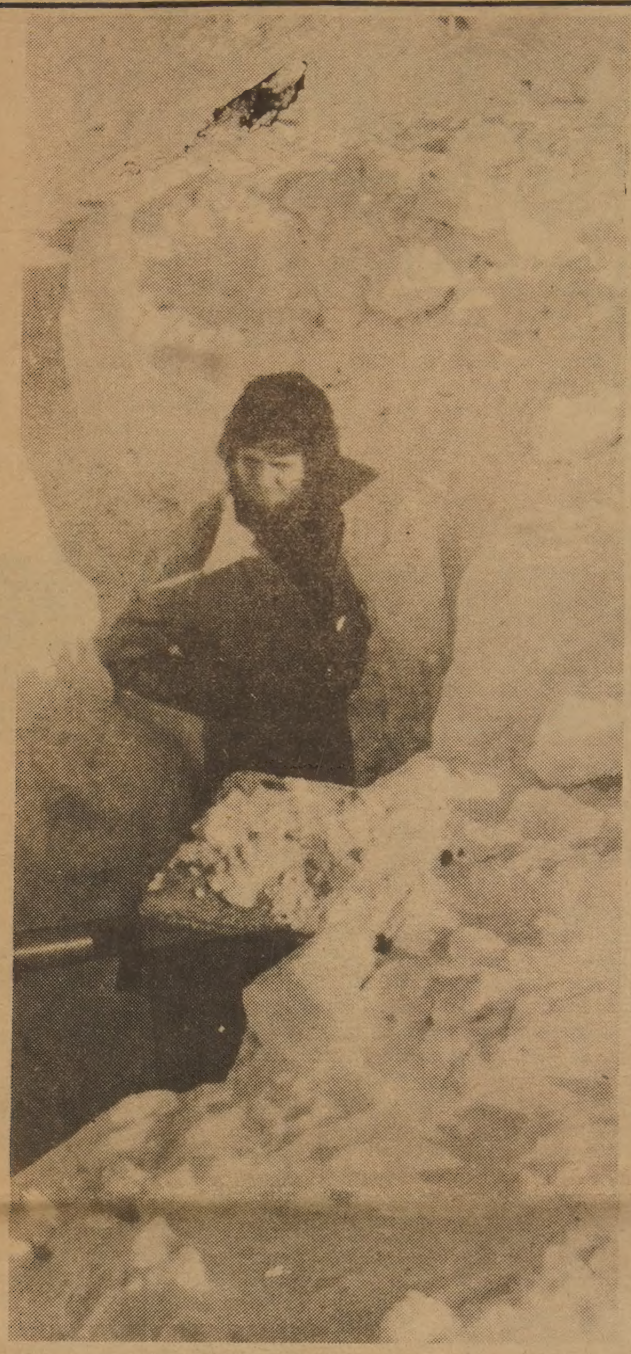

Trying to walk up the stairs from the Voyageur Building to Hennepin Hall was easy to do as long as no one was coming down.
(Photo by Middlemiss)

All the space anyone needed to park in was there Jan. 11—if one chose to shovel one's own spot.
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Niagara teaches English at Brock

10th year anniversary invocation

This is an age of ideas, but it lacks ideals. Closed minds flourish within the walls of educational institutions and only seldom is attention paid to the higher purposes of education.

These thoughts were expressed by the Rev. Ogwen Glyn-Jones in the college's anniversary invocation, held in the Hamilton Room Jan. 13. A. S. Manera, college president, introduced Mr. Glyn-Jones to a sparse audience of college staff.

Although most students were unaware of it, an important ceremony was taking place. The invocation commemorated the college's 10-year history.

Mr. Glyn-Jones delivered an inspirational message on the purposes of education. Man must learn to follow a master, he said, and that master is excellence. Religion, though it need not necessarily be Christian, is one of the greatest sources of excellent achievement.

Mr. Glyn-Jones taught at the college from 1967 to 1976 and was chairman of communication arts. He is an ordained Presbyterian minister and received his theology degree from Wales.

Education must contain vocational, social and spiritual elements to be complete, he said. Too often, what is taught is

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By PHIL WILSON

Niagara will provide the course and instructor, Brock will provide the facilities and the students. The result will be university students receiving help in basic grammer.

For the first time in Ontario, a university will use a college course and instructor to teach basic grammar to university students.

R.D. MacDonald, chairman of English at Brock, said Brock was using the course because of the "knowledge that there are more students than there should be at Brock who don't know the basics of English grammar."

Ray Matthews, Niagara English co-ordinator, will conduct the seven-week course, which will resemble Niagara's H—EN—100 course for first year students.

The course will be limited to 30 students. However, all the students will not be freshmen. Dennis Malone, chairman of the English department at Niagara, said there will probably be some second and third year students in the course.

Mr. MacDonald said more than 30 students will want to take the course, so some students will have to be turned away. Teachers will recommend students to take the course, and the 30 students most in need of help will be allowed to enter it.

Mr. Matthews said the course is non-credit and no grades will be given.

NEED FOR COURSE

Brock approached the Niagara English department in the spring of 1976 to try to arrange a remedial English course.

Course costs will be funded by an Ontario Universities Program in Instructional Development grant. Mr. Malone said the grant will pay for part-time instructors to replace Mr. Matthews here while he is at Brock. Mr. Malone said the college is not making a profit on the course.

Mr. Malone expressed some fear that, because the course was not compulsory, there could be poor attendance, but Mr. MacDonald said he did not anticipate such a problem. If there are problems, Mr. MacDonald said, "the problem will be too many people."

Mr. Matthews is pleased at the prospect of teaching the course. He said it was encouraging that the university recognized the college has a great deal of experience and success in teaching this type of course.

"I think all universities should have a first-term credited course that teaches such things as composition, documentation and the university essay—if only to show the student what the standard is at the university," Mr. Matthews said.

While Mr. Matthews said he felt it was unfair to blame secondary schools for students' English problems, he did think some type of basic grammar course should be taught on a continuous basis throughout high school.

"A TERRIBLE SITUATION"

The fact that there will be some second and third year students, including English majors, taking the course disturbed

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SNOW:

25 cm. & 3-ft. drifts covered parking lots

By DENNY BUNYAN

Winter proved to be more than a match for the small work crew who tried to keep Niagara College parking lots clear after a snowstorm that dumped approximately 25 cm. of snow on the Niagara peninsula just over a week ago.

After a holiday on Monday, Jan.10, because of the storm, students and staff arrived Tuesday to find three-foot drifts and some parking lots unplowed.

Stairways from upper parking lots were not cleared more than enough to let one person pass, and sidewalks were snowpacked.

Making the situation worse still was a radio announcement of the college closing that did not go over local radio stations until 8.15 p.m., by which time many members of the faculty and students had already turned up.

Many complaints about the overall condition of the parking lots were heard three days after the storm. Apart from the unplowed lots, the size of those that had been plowed was considerably decreased by the huge snow piles lining the edges. It was not until Wednesday morning that a front-end loader was brought in to move the mini-mountains.

"I'd be willing to bet that 95 percent of those complaining haven't even cleared their own premises," Jack Spittle, manager of property and plant said.

WORKED AT NIGHT

He said a crew of three men worked through the night on Sunday to try and keep the campus free of snow but could not keep up with the storm.

Efforts were hampered when two of the vehicles being used to clear the snow broke down. No vehicles were called in to replace those out of action. Snow continued to mount.

The job of snow removal is contracted out to Harrison's Snow Removal, a Welland company. It could not be reached by telephone two days after the storm to comment on the situation.

A budget of $7,000 a year is alloted to snow removal, Mr. Spittle said. Up until last week's storm, $2,900 from that budget had been used. Mr. Spittle did

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EDITORIAL

Parking lots full, but not with cars

Snow here, snow there, snow there, snow everywhere. What are we going to do with all the snow? Obviously Jack Spittle, manager of property and plant, did not know either.!

Students and faculty arrived at the college the morning of Jan. 11 to find some parking lots still unplowed and walkways and stairways in treacherous condition. Although there were no accidents, there could have been.

Mr. Spittle, the man in charge of keeping the parking lots clean and orderly, failed in his bid to overcome the forces of nature.

A blizzard which struck the Niagara peninsula on the evening of Jan. 9 forced most schools, businesses and other buildings, as well as Niagara College, to close the next day, Jan. 10.

Mr. Spittle called up his forces, all three men, to clean up the snow drifts in the parking lots. But two days after the storm, the parking lots were still literally in a mess. Why was this? Mr. Spittle, Niagara's Mr. Clean, gave various excuses to explain why the parking lots, walkways, and stairways were still not clean:

Two of the three snow plows broke down during the massive clean-up; the wind was blowing the snow back as fast as it was plowed out, and the work force was limited.

One of the three three-quarter-ton vehicles used to move the snow broke down because of a heavy load while another plow broke down when it hit a curb. This is competent?

"We try to apply common sense," Mr. Spittle said.

Ed Krikorian, building operations supervisor, wonders why the Niagara News never writes anything good about property and plant at Niagara.

"Why don't you write something good about us for once," Mr. Krikorian asked.

Sheldon Curran

Trudged through snow, but no reason to go

There were three-foot drifts and high winds, but still I managed to trudge through it all to make it to the college only to find out that it had been closed. Closed? There were no announcements on the radio saying it was closed!

College officials closed the college down AFTER a surprising number of dedicated students, faculty, and support workers had arrived. How convenient!

Why did it take so long to decide whether or not to close the college?

One woman was furious and she was not alone. She and others had driven on dangerous roads to go to work and they had to endanger their lives again on the treacherous roads because college officials were slow to decide whether they should close the college.

Niagara was one of the last institutions to close that day. Brock University, which also has students and staff from right across the peninsula, was declared closed at 7 a.m.

Next time a similar situation occurs, perhaps the college could be more efficient in deciding whether to close. From now on, before I go to college, I'll make my own decision whether or not to go.

Sheldon Curran

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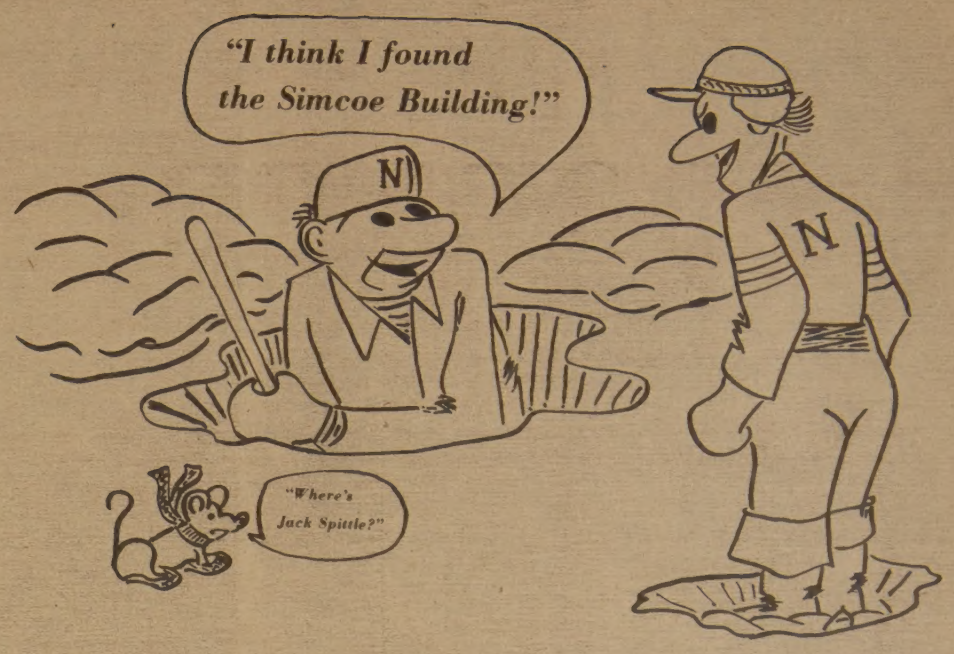

BULLPIT

Boycott coffee?

By RIC DOLPHIN

God no! Not 25 cents for a cup of coffee! We, as sleepy morning students with a daily need to wake up and with wallets that are easily disembowelled by the insult of dozens of extra nickels a month, can't stand for this—nay, we WON'T stand for this!

And not only is it going to be the juice of the humble coffee bean that is to be jacked up in price—other beverages obtained from those heartless vending machines will be more expensive too. But this, I am told by the keeper of these swallowers of silver, is to "supplement" the enormous increase in the price of that dark-complexioned villain, coffee.

So coffee is the enemy and coffee must be humbled—or at least the price of it must be.

Our plan of action is simple and can be described with one word: BOYCOTT. Yes, that's right folks, instead of contributing to the sales of the culprit and its confederates, we must work on alternatives. The only way we can bring the price down is to reduce the demand of the product so noticeably that profits become losses and the losses of the coffee czars become out gains. For the small profit they may make on 20-cent coffee when it's selling well is better than the loss when we all boycott.

AND WE WILL CONQUER!

So I beseech you fellow students to act quickly. Bring your daily quota of the wet stuff in a thermos or prove to yourself that you can kick the caffeine habit for a while or drink the water from the fountains while it's still free.

Persevere, brothers and sisters. It's going to be tough, but together we can be victorious.

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misused. Taught to read, a person may read only pornography. Taught to write, he may write only on washroom walls.

Imagination and memory may have placed man in a higher sphere but they have also thrown him into conflict with his world, he said. The college's task is to nurture the mind and present a model of education's higher purpose.

LETTERS

Have vote on $10 fee, former NC student says

The Editor:

As a former student of Niagara College, I was surprised to see that one first year female student could stir up as much commotion as did Valerie Thompson in her bid to join the intramural men's hockey league.

Not since SAC's 1974 financial disclosures have I seen so much college attention drawn towards one subject. Miss Thompson's story has brought to the surface (indircetly or directly, depending what position you support) the annual student beef (and rightly so) that the majority of Niagara's students are forced to pay $10 of their student activity fee to athletics.

In the Dec.1 issue of the Niagara News, a letter to the editor from college president Anthony Manera explains how the $10 fee came to be and which groups decided (unanimously) to charge the $10. Not once did it state that student input was asked for and not once in the two years I attended Niagara was I, or any other student, asked to vote on such a resolution.

Mr. Manera states that he will be willing to hold another discussion on the subject. It would indeed be a good idea, but this time, Mr. Manera, ask for a student referendum on the matter. It's high time the jocks of Niagara College get off their duffs and start paying their own way for a change. It's time the students had a voice to end or continue this free ride. Whatever the outcome, the students will at least be able to say that they made the decision.

Ken Blay
St. Catharines.

Extension enrolment not seriously affected

The Editor,

On behalf of the Extension Management Committee I would like to express our concern over the article which appeared in December 1st edition of the Niagara News entitled "Extension Enrolment Down".

The article had very little to do with the subject of extension enrolments, but was, rather, almost exclusively devoted to the move of the Counselling Office from 76 St. Paul St. to the Welland Vale Campus.

The article refers to the number of persons taking extension courses this Fall as being down 594. Actually the number of persons taking post-secondary and special interest courses in extension is only down 123.

The article makes no reference to the 299 registrations in apprenticeship courses and the 1022 registrations in extension under Training in Business and Industry.

The claim that the move of the Counselling Centre may have played a major role in reducing enrolment does not appear to be substantiated by the facts. The number of people from St. Catharines who are taking post-secondary and special interest extension courses is down only 20 from 1975.

The number of people from those communities which border on St. Catharines (Niagara-on-the-Lake, Thorold, and Lincoln) is up 41 from last Fall.

R.T. Baddeley.

LETTERS

The Niagara News welcomes letters on any subject. Letters should be brief and direct and the editor reserves the right to edit them to conserve space. All letters must be signed.

Debbie OK

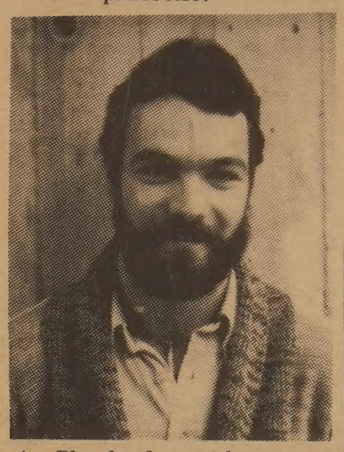
Debbie Coplen, Student Administrative Council (SAC) secretary, is back at work in the SAC offices after recovering from burns she received Dec. 6.

Miss Coplen received second degree burns to her hands and scorched her face while trying to light the pilot light on the propane furnace in the SAC trailer. She is now working in SAC's reception and information offices in L-6.

ROVING REPORTER:

"Do you drink coffee? Will you continue if and when coffee prices rise?"

By LYNNE VAN TILBORG and PAUL KREAMER



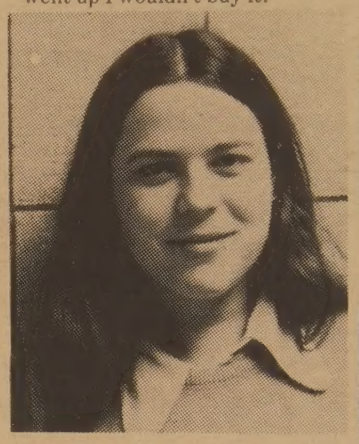
Art Blanchard, second year general college: "Yes. No, it's too expensive. It's crazy. I'll drink milk."
Tom McNeil, first year general college: "Yes. Probably because I only drink one or two cups a day. I don't live on it.

Susan Reinhart, English instructor: "Yes. Not likely because I don't think the price increase is really justified."
Duncan Martin, retraining: "Yes. I might and I might not. It depends on how high it goes."

Linda Forray, first year secretarial arts: "Yes. Probably, I really like it. I imagine I'll continue even if the prices go up."

Kathy Hancock, first year tourism: "Yes. No I don't think so. I can't afford it. I live by myself."

Shawn Boni, second year refrigeration and air conditioning: "Once in a while. I prefer tea. Why not?"
Gord Chase, first year electrical technician: "Sometimes. No. I don't like to drink it that much. If I drank it regularly and the price went up I wouldn't buy it."



Barb Kozinski, first year law and security: "Yes. Probably not because I can't afford it anyway."
Joanne Podwinski, first year general college: "Yes, because I like it. I don't drink it to excess so I won't be spending that much money on it."
Susan Masonovich, first year general business: "Yes. No, my family is stopping all together."

Joanne Marlow, second year social services: "Yes. It depends on how much it goes up."
Larry Yochim, second year electronic technician: "I don't drink coffee but I still think it's kind of ridiculous."

Jackie Ayres, second year interior design: "Yes. No, because I found something better. Postum. It's only $1.39 a jar. I spend a dollar a day on the coffee machine."
Bill Munroe, co-ordinator, human relations: "Yes. Yes I will. Prices should go up because it's about time the exploited countries are allowed to make a valid return on their resources."
Ray Idzenga, first year electrical technician: "Yes. I always drink coffee. I'm a coffee freak."

Linda Zimmerman, second year preventive dental assistant: "Yes. No, I'll be drinking tea."

Tim Ristine, first year law and security: "Yes, because I like it."

Political comment

Only nine provinces in Canada's future?

How many provinces will Canada have in 1980? Maybe 10, but the probability is slim. Undoubtedly, the future months will prove most interesting in Canadian history. Rene Levesque's victory in Quebec has upset political balance in the 110-year-old country.

Mr. Levesque now has the opportunity he always has wanted—to rule over Quebec—a province that has generated more problems than a snake has scales.

The victorious Mr. Levesque, in a post-election speech, has pledged that his government will "work as hard as we can to make Quebec a country for all Quebecers who live in it and love it."

In this statement, Mr. Levesque referred to Quebec as a country and not a province, which stimulates the belief that he intends to put his formula into work.

Finance Minister Jacques Parizeau told Ottawa at the recent premiers' conference that Quebec will not feel bound by any new five-year agreement it signs, because within that period it expects to withdraw from confederation.

Mr. Levesque will hold a referendum on separation within a year or two.

If separation comes about, we refuse to believe those who say it will be done in civilized fashion, with everything planned out in detail.

Nor do we believe it will be followed (if it does happen) by British Columbia and Alberta joining the U.S.A., and the Maritimes splitting off by themselves.

Rather, we think the other provinces will feel more closely-knit and there will be a spirit of togetherness which has been lacking ever since Quebec began throwing its weight around in heavy fashion.

There was a small editorial in th North Bay Nugget which summed up the situation.

Rene Levesque swept Quebec avec Parti Quebecois
Now Pierre, little Joe and Ed are holding their heads and asking pourquoi?
When we now sing, "O Canada we stand on guard for thee."
Must we now add, "sans Quebecois Parti?"

"WONDERING"
Sheldon Curran

SET AN EXAMPLE

"KEEPING NIAGARA CLEAN IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY. SET THE RIGHT EXAMPLE AND YE SHALL LEAD"

SAYETH THE BLUE KNIGHT OF NIAGARA

Manera enters 6th yr. as president

By DON LOUCKS

For A.S. Manera this month is more than the coming of a new year — it marks his fifth year as president of Niagara College.

And it is an anniversary that celebrates a half-decade of expansion that has taken place at the college under the administrative eye of its president.

Mr. Manera was 31 when he first took on the chief administration post in January, 1972, the youngest community college president in the province.

At that time he told Niagara's board of governors he would commit himself to five years as president. But he added that he could guarantee no more than 10 years in office.

Mr. Manera reasons that it is more beneficial to a college if its leadership is changed after a number of years, "because a fresh pair of eyes with new ideas can contribute more than someone set in his ways."

Remaining in office for more than 10 years could cause the duties to become routine and to take away some of the challenge of the job, Mr. Manera said.

"Most of us do our best work when we're challenged—at least I do," he said. "To remain alive and dynamic a person needs a change of scenery."

Mr. Manera was selected as president from 80 applicants. The selection committee said they chose him because they saw him as a 24-hour president who would give the college everything he had before moving on.

A. S. MANERA (Photo by Bunyan)

Add Programs

Since Mr. Manera has been in office, several academic programs have been added to Niagara's curriculum and the main campus has been expanded with the recent construction of the Lundy building, adjacent to the Tecumseh centre.

A tourism and attractions program and a course in retail management were added to the school of business on campus. The school of health sciences expanded within the past five years with the addition of programs in advanced preventive dental assistance, health records dicta-typing, health sciences preparatory studies, and a part-time course in ambulance and emergency care.

Mr. Manera said several programs were added to the school of retraining and that others have been modified and improved over the past few years.

A major addition to Niagara took place in 1973 when the nursing centres in St. Catharines and Niagara Falls were transferred to the college's administration.

Soon after arriving at the college, Mr. Manera initiated a monthly meeting between the board of governors, the advisory committee and staff members to evaluate the college's programs. A different program is under study each month at these meetings.

Most Relevant

Mr. Manera supported the community college system from the start because it had "the potential for becoming the most relevant educational process in the province."

He has not changed his opinion on the community college's potential over the last five years. It has proven itself, he said, and offered as an example the enrolment growth.

He said enrolment in the community college has grown substantially more than the population of the province, comparatively.

"That to me is evidence that there is a need for the community college and that it is fulfilling that need," he said.

Full-time enrolment at Niagara has increased a little more than 50 per cent since 1972. Part-time enrolment has tripled in numbers during this time.

Mr. Manera said the numbers would be even greater if not for the financial limitations of the college to handle more students.

Mr. Manera said one of his top priorities when he became president was to maintain a two-way communication with the students. He said he has been able to carry this out over the years through his contact with the Student Administrative Council (SAC).

Mr. Manera has taken every opportunity to meet students on an informal level. Aside from his job as president, he teaches digital and pulse circuitry on campus. Teaching, he says, is an excellent channel for keeping in touch with the students.

Mr. Manera showed his good nature when, during a recent interview, his secretary entered his office and handed him a student's application to enter the course he teaches.

"If he wants to put up with me, I'll put up with him," he jested.

When he first visited Niagara, Mr. Manera saw a severe snow storm. Five years later to the exact day, he again watched another storm of this magnitude.

But his impressions of the college were good five years ago and they are now as well, Mr. Manera said.

What impresses him a great deal about the college is the quality of its instructors.

Beyond The Call

"There is a substantial number of people committed to teaching beyond the call of duty," he said. "This is what makes a college great."

Mr. Manera added that Niagara's administrative and support staff deserve a great deal of recognition as well.

He said he has never witnessed any serious problems at Niagara, such as the campus unrest that struck many colleges over the years.

The lack of student involvement has always been Niagara's biggest problem, Mr. Manera said.

As an example, he said he would like to see more support for the dinner-dances held by SAC.

There are some signs of improvement in student involvement with the development of specialized clubs on campus, Mr. Manera said.

"I've always supported student activites because I feel they give the student a chance to develop and contribute as a person," he said.

Mr. Manera obtained his university education in California. He earned a bachelor of science degree in electronics engineering at the Northrop Institute of Technology and at 24 completed his masters work in electrical engineering at the University of Southern California (USC). Mr. Manera taught electrical engineering and calculus at Northrop while working on his master's degree at USC.

Returns To Canada

With his masters work completed, Mr. Manera came back to Canada and took on teaching and administrative positions at Ryerson Institute of Technology, Toronto, and Sir Sanford Fleming College in Peterborough. He was dean of technology at Confederation College, Thunder Bay, before coming to Niagara.

In his first year at Niagara, Mr. Manera had a book published by McGraw-Hill in New York. The book, Solid State Electronic Circuits—For Engineering, took four years to write, and was distributed in colleges and universities, and to some industries. Mr. Manera said the book sold a little over 10,000 copies.

When he is not engaged in administrative duties, Mr. Manera tries to spend most of his free time with his family—his wife, Raffaella, and their son and daughter, aged four and 14.

The Maneras, originally from Italy, lived in Thunder Bay for 3½ years before coming to Niagara and moving to St.catha-

Mr. Manera said he and his wife are pleased with the change in regions. He said the move from Thunder Bay was an escape from a very cold and lengthy winter. He said he enjoys the moderate climate of this region, but he and his wife still prefer the spring and summer seasons.

He attributes this to their past residence in warm areas such as California.

He said Mrs. Manera found it easy to adjust to St.catharines.

Mr. Manera's outside interests lie in the field of electronics. At his home he builds and designs in electronics, and his pet project is an experiment with the application of digital circuits to an FM receiver.

Keeps In Tune

Aside from the enjoyment it awards him, Mr. Manera said his hobby keeps in tune with the course he teaches at the college.

Mr. Manera is interested in opera, and frequently attends concerts in Toronto.

He said this is one aspect he and his wife have enjoyed about living in this region. Toronto and other large cities which offer good opera are not very far from where they live, Mr. Manera said.

Mr. Manera said he plans to follow his original intention of leaving Niagara after he has served as president for 10 years.

But, he said, he must find the right time to leave—during a lapse when not too many changes are being made at the college.

"It's important to find the right time because you don't want the new president to have to face changes that have just been started and not completed," Mr. Manera said.

He is unsure of what he will do when he leaves Niagara.

"I'll let the future work itself out—it always does."

Globe: July 1, 1867

What a Find!

By NELLE OOSTEROM

A St. Catharines woman picked up the morning edition of The Globe and discovered that Canada was at last a country. Also, she could possibly get a job cutting cordwood for $26 a month and the Big-Little Woman was in town.

The paper was dated July 1, 1867.

It was found by Mrs. Jack Cavers, 34 Ridgewood Rd., St. Catharines, while she was sorting through old boxes before Christmas.

"It was in my mother's family house in Peterborough, which is well over 100 years old," she said. "I must have picked it up when they were dismantling it.

"There are some weird and wonderful things to be found in a house that old."

Finding the first newspaper to be published on the day of Canada's birth turned out to be not only "weird and wonderful", but interesting as well.

The first two pages of the four-page edition are devoted entirely to background notes on Confederation. Nothing is omitted. Statistics on trade, population, resources and an explanation of how Confederation was brought about, beginning with the discovery of Canada, are printed in tiny type on long columns of now-yellowed paper.

Perhaps if yesterday's editors had been able to peek into the future 110 years hence and witness the Quebec election, they would not have written in such confident, glowing terms.

It says, for example, that "with the first dawn of this gladsome midsummer morn, we hail the birthday of a new nationality...old things have passed away...the history of old Canada, with its contracted bounds, and limited divisions... has been completed."

"We celebrate the inauguration of a new nationality; to which are committed the interests of Christianity and civilization over a territory larger than that of the ancient Roman Empire."

Times have changed but people haven't. A certain Isaac Stonehouse was worried enough about his wife' spendthrift habits to put an ad in the Globe forbidding anyone to give her credit. And that was before Chargex.

Another ad announced the arrival of Little-Big Woman, who weighed all of 516 pounds but was only five feet tall and of a "most affable and pleasing manner." Fifteen cents would buy a view of the big lady.

The newspaper was half advertisement and half news. There were, of course, no pictures. Headlines were unknown, but one thing has remained the same. The slogan under the masthead still reads, "The subject who is truly loyal to the Chief Magistrate will neither advise nor submit to arbitrary measures."

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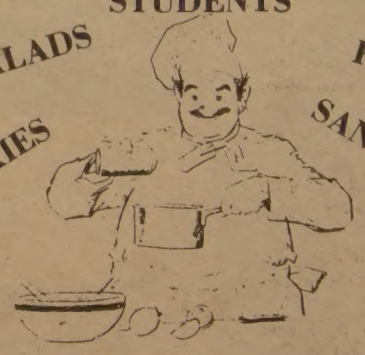

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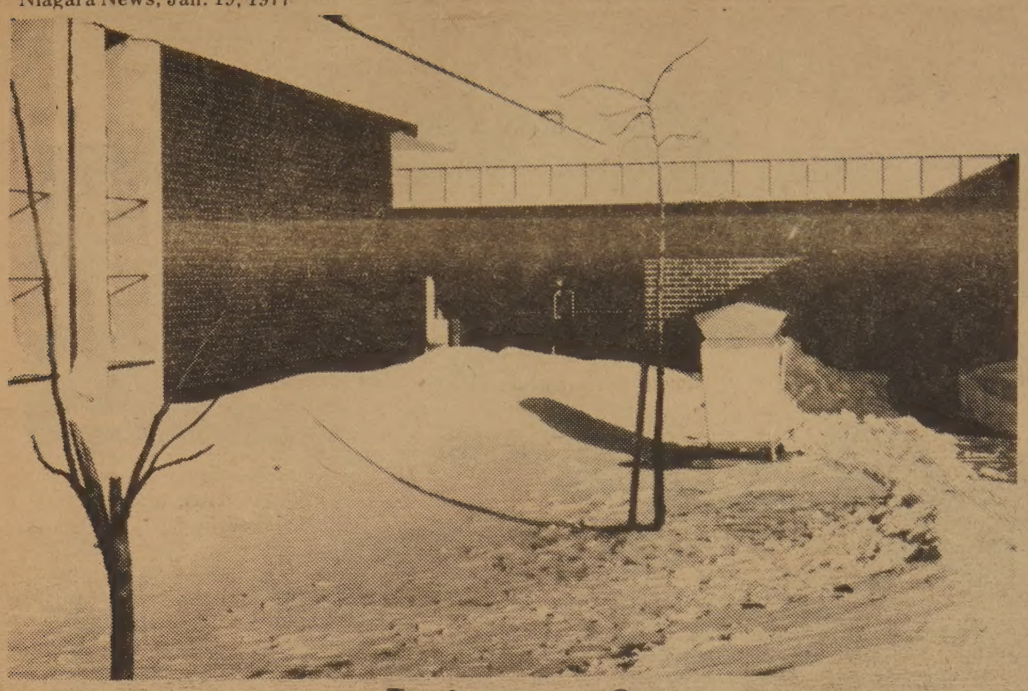

Is it over?

The sun finally came out on Tuesday after the worst snowstorm of the year hit the peninsula. The college cafeteria seems to have escaped the storm in this picture, but the high winds that accompanied the snow blew the snow into high drifts. Drifting snow made it almost impossible for work crews to keep roads and sidewalks clear. Long-range weather forecasts have been predicting more snow for this week. (Photo by Middlemiss)

Canadian history of prejudice against religious minorities.

Prejudice exists throughout the world, including Canada. The Indians and French create the most controversy. What about religious minority groups—Doukhobors, Mennonites, and Hutterites—in Canada?

Ian Hunter, law professor at Western University, told 20 Niagara College students on Dec 10 these groups have been persecuted because of education, land owning, or conscientious objection.

Doukhobors, "spirit wrestler", experience prejudice in all three areas. When Doukhobors settled in Saskatchewan they were given land to settle on. Later the government introduced the Saskatchewan Homestead Act which states, "Anyone who received a land grant must register and swear oath."

"The Doukhobors refused to swear the oath and consequently lost 250,000 acres of arable land," Mr. Hunter said during an elective.

Many of them moved to British Columbia.

Doukhobors do not send their children to public schools and the government decided to take the children off the colony. The children were taken by police and put in a school which the govrnment called "concentration camps."

These "sanitoriums" were surrounded by electrified barbed wire fences. The parents were allowed to visit only on Sundays for two hours.

Doukhobors protested by destroying their property and the women of the colony disrobed in the front row of an election meeting for John Diefenbaker in 1953, Mr. Hunter said.

Mr. Diefenbaker said: "I was raised on a farm. I have seen these things before."

Mr. Diefenbaker probably has seen Mennonites in Kitchener, Ont.

These people dress in black and ride in horse and buggy to this day, Mr. Hunter said. They do not have electricity and are conscientious objectors. They do don't believe in government assistance programs such as the pension plan. The Mennonites would leave their pension cheques in the mail box.

"They are not part of the world," Mr. Hunter said.

Hutterites are scattered throughout Canada, but in Alberta they were persecuted for not taking part in the educational system. They had their own schools in the colonies but were still paying school taxes. The government wanted their children to attend public school.

A bus was arranged to take the students from the colony to a school which was six miles away. The children had no choice as they were escorted to the bus by police.

On the first day the children walked home after the bus left them at the school. The bus came the second day and the same thing happened. On the third day, no bus showed. The government gave in, Mr. Hunter said.

Social services request community involvement

Social service students are putting "all the skills that we learned in the past three terms" into practice to organize a seminar next month that will involve the community.

Lisa Kirchmayer and Linda Hambling are members of the second year social services class who are organizing an all-day seminar on Assertiveness Training on Feb. 11.

The 15 students began organizing the seminar last March. They will have to throw everything they've learned together for the seminar to come off, Lisa said.

The class divided into four groups to plan budget,advertising, organization, and food for the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. event.

They are using the community organization and group work skills they have learned to get total community involvement.

The main speaker will be Dr. J. S. Jameson, a psychiatrist in private practice on staff at Toronto General Hospital.

The students hope to attract anyone who feels "assertiveness training will help in their occupation," Linda said.

This would include local social workers, judges and lawyers, government workers, women's associations, legions and college instructors.

Representatives of all these groups have been contacted by the students.

"We hope to attract a maximum of 125 persons," Lisa said.

They would like to have replies by the end of January.

Participants will break up into four groups for discussion and role-playing.

Cost for the day will be $15, which will include a hot lunch and morning and afternoon refreshment breaks.

Organization of a community event is a yearly project assigned to second year social service students by their co-ordinator, Murdoch Keith.

N/C praised

Niagara College has been commended for its "generosity of spirit" and "commited workes" in a newsletter from the Nursing Education Media Project (NEMP).

The newsletter, Update, cited Ms Sarah Biamonte, Ms Carol Ann MacKinnon, Mrs. Linda Buschmann, Niagara nursing instructors, Fred Habermehl, dean of Health Sciences and "a lot of behind the scenes people" for their help in making the project a success.

NEMP's executive committee elected several representatives to its evaluation committee in June. The representatives evaluate and decide which films, video-tapes, and slides, produced both by NEMP and commercial organizations, should be reproduced for sale to nursing programs.

One package, dealing with responsibility for Nursing Care, will be used in four or five colleges and one university for testing purposes.

Mr. Habermehl said a five-unit package of five-minute tapes on nursing ethics are ready for classroom use and "we expect to be one of the colleges where they will be tested before they go into production."

Ms. Biamonte has spent two years on the evaluation committee and was elected to the steering committee in June. Mr. Habermehl is also on NEMP's executive, and Update said he has "very capably and thoughtfully" represented the heads of health sciences.

Ms MacKinnon and Mrs. Buschmann are both representatives on the evaluation committee.

It's a long walk in the kind of weather the Niagara area has had recently, as one Niagara student learns the hard way.
(Photo by Sheldon Curran)

Parking was difficult enough after the storm, but drivers like this made it even harder to find a parking spot. (Photo by Bunyan)

SNOW:

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not have figures on how much the last blizzard took out of the budget.

The contract with Harrison states that as soon as three inches of snow is on the ground the plows come in to move it. Mr. Spittle said that as far as snow clearance is concerned, "we try to apply common sense."

CALL OFF PLOWS

He said the plows were called off at 4p.m. Monday afternoon because, in his opinion, they could not keep ahead of the elements.

On the other hand, Ed Krikorian, building operations supervisor, said the plows were merely taking a break until the wind died down and clearing could be continued.

"It was drifting as fast as we could plow it out," Mr. Krikorian said. "The whole area was clear at one point but the snow and the wind was too much and it all drifted back."

Consequently, people started arriving for classes on Tuesday morning and parked wherever they could find a space. A few drivers parked diagonally, taking up four parking spaces.

Speaking of those parked in this manner, Mr. Spittle said he would first like to wrap them with a baseball bat and then with a parking ticket, "but of course I can't do things like that," he added.

NO TICKETS

Mr. Spittle said parking tickets were not and will not be issued to those taking up more than one space if the lines can't be seen because of snow.

Students are advised to drive carefully in or through the parking lots. Mr. Spittle said if accidents do occur, the situation is the same as it would be on any supermarket parking lot—no insurance!

So far there have been no accidents and no one has been hurt seriously enough to report to the college nurse.

The snow appears to be winning the battle with this front-end loader in a campus parking lot. (Photo by Paxton)

Lobster or pot -pie, Niagara chef great at both

By RIC DOLPHIN

Last year's nursing graduates needed a cake, a cake for 1,000 hungry mouths, and it was the job of John Hubeny, Niagara College's resident chef to create this epicurean delight. Armed with 120 eggs, 50 pounds of flour, 50 pounds of sugar, 60 pounds of icing and great globs of other ingredients, John went to work. It was, if you'll pardon the expression, no piece of cake.

After three days of toil, the gargantuan gateau, moulded into a college crest and worth about $500, was finished. Twelve feet long and four feet wide—John said it took six men to carry this colossal confection to the truck.

John, the man whose job it is to feed the students and staff of the college, takes pride in his work no matter whether it's petit fours or beef stew he is preparing.

"What we produce, we produce well," he said.

John is employed by Niagara Frontier Caterers, a St. Catharines company that also supplies the vending machines on campus, and he has been with them for more than 20 years.

He oversees a staff of eight cashiers and hostesses who help him prepare and serve the daily meals for the people of the college. He emphasizes the fact that his kitchen is cleaned from top to bottom every day and that the meals are freshly prepared for each session.

The price of the special of the day for students is a suprisingly low 85 cents. The specials include meals like roast beef, veal cutlets (which John says is the students' favorite: "Kids love fried food."), and chicken pot pie, another "best seller."

"You go to any restaurant and you pay $1.25 for bacon and eggs," John said. Three years ago when the present cafeteria opened and John started work at the college, the price of a special was 75 cents. It went up to 85 cents last year.

"There's not much profit at all," he said of the meals he serves. Most of the profit comes from the sale of the pre-packaged items like doughnuts and chocolate milk that is sold from the vending machines and sent from St. Catharines.

John makes most of the pastries and pies that are sold in the cafeteria. Of students and staff alike he said, "They love my Danish pastry;" of the staff he caters for at meetings he said, "They love my banana cake."

VIP CUSTOMERS

Last year, John catered for the cabinet ministers and Premier Bill Davis when they visited the college. Lobster Newburg and chicken a la king were featured. Asked how the VIP's enjoyed their feed, John threw a kiss into the air and said there were no complaints.

Six years ago, he prepared a breakfast for Prime Minister Trudeau in St. Catharines at the Jordan winery. He said the meal was a success.

As well as school functions and meetings, John also caters for local government functions. there have been no complaints.

Business in the cafeteria is best at the beginning of the fall term, John said. For the first two months of school, more than 1,000 people a day are served. But as Christmas approaches and personal wealth declines, the number of students buying dinner is reduced and "after the New Year people are broke." At *this* time of the year, about 600 people a day are served.

John remembers when there was live music in the cafeteria about two years ago: "It was the biggest business we ever had in the cafeteria ... the cafeteria was alive." He said there were people dancing and singing all day.

BORN IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

John was born 60 years ago in Czechoslovakia and he started working in a kitchen at 14. He was married in 1940 in Nazi-occupied Prague.

In 1945 the Nazis left and Czechoslovakia had democratic government for two years. Then the communists moved in in 1947. John described life in a communist country as "a poor living".

John had a brother in Toronto working in the glass industry. he had his brother claim that a job was available with the firm and sign a pass enabling John to emigrate to Canada in 1948.

He got a job with a caterer soon afterwards and later landed a position as a pastry man in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto. In 1956 he started working for Frontier Caterers and has been working there since.

John Hubeny is happy in his work and is alwavs busy. he works from 7 a.m. until 3:30 on weekdays and sometimes works on Saturdays. he has one grandchild.

He is called upon to make cakes for birthdays, anniversaries and similar occasions. He has won prizes for his cake decorating.

He says he has never had a request from a student to make a cake, but his services are available. A basic round cake that will serve 25 people or more would cost around $8.50.

Meanwhile in the caff, John's delicious specials are - er- selling like hot cakes.

Hydro request for power cut meets with good response at NC

A request from Welland Hydro asking that Niagara reduce its power consumption—which costs the college close to $6,000 a month—has met with good response from students and staff.

The main reason for the request was that a couple of generators at the Nanticoke power station broke down and put a strain on stations all over the province. Ontario Hydro asked that all major users of power in Welland be asked to cut back power usage, a customer relations representative at the Welland Hydro office said. Niagara is one of these major users.

Since the request from Welland Hydro was made, the Lundy-Merritt building has been opened requiring more lights and electrical equipment, along with a heavier furnace load.

Customer relations personnel at Welland Hydro say it is difficult to say if there has been any appreciable difference in energy use. They do feel the plea for help has had some result but it is hard to measure in actual dollars and cents.

Student service, reasonable prices

Good food at the Falls

By TIM MASON

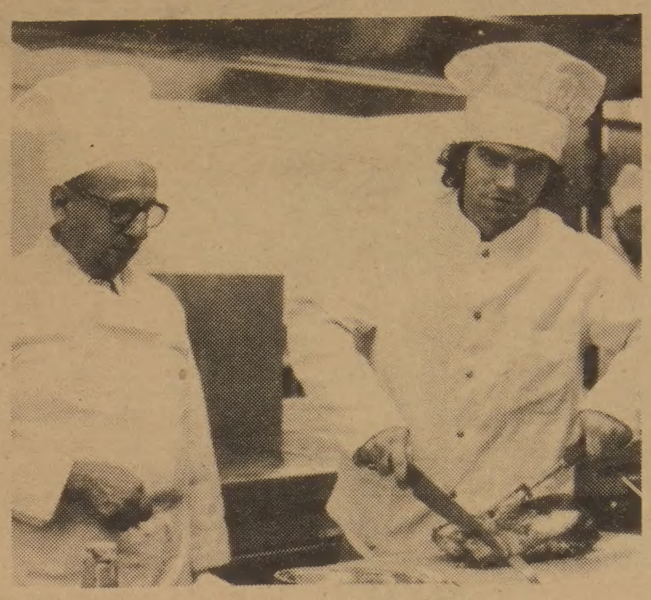
Niagara Falls is considered by many to be a glittering tinsel town of ballooning prices and sweltering mobs, a place where one can fritter away $3 on a plastic Mountie with a coin slot in his head, or as much as $1.30 for a slice of mouldy pie topped with ice cream.

But, at last, Niagara Falls has an unique dining spot, Niagara College's Rainbow Bridge Plaza, where tourists may sit and enjoy a first class meal prepared and served by Hotel and Restaurant students, without being taken for a ride at the same time.

A dinner of puree St. Germain, longe de porc roti with puree de panais, gateau a l'orange and cafe sells for $2.50,—less than a plastic mountie.

"We sell it at what it costs us," explained program co-ordinator Derek Barnett, circulating throughout the carpeted dining area ensuring everything operated in a smooth enough manner as to embarrass some of the better known eating spots in the Falls.

OPEN TO ALL About 30 people, composed of teachers, students and community members, attended the first weekly luncheon given in the newly opened Rainbow Bridge Plaza on Jan. 6. Mr. Barnett said the luncheon is open to anyone, providing reservations are made.



Chef-of-the-day Luciano Lisi prepares longe de porc roti as instructor Dom Diodati looks on. (Photo by Mason)

Interested parties can call 354-1663. The dining room can accommodate as many as 50 people, said student Mike Ryckman, acting as maître d'.

The students are divided into two groups. One group works in the spotlessly-clean kitchen preparing the foods and desserts, while the second group serves. Each week the students rotate jobs so everyone may experience the many facets of the business.

In the future, a bar is expected to be in operation, and will require three barmen.

Mr. Barnett said he did not want people to feel they were being used as guinea pigs. If they were, however, they would certainly be the best-fed guinea pigs.

English

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him. "I think it's a terrible situation....the ability to write is such a fundamental skill it should be a pre-requisite above anything else."

He will test the students at the beginning and at the end of the course to evaluate their progress. The results will be given to the Brock English department.

The course will be a success, according to Mr. MacDonald. "I wouldn't have gone through the trouble of applying for the money in the first place if I didn't think the course would be successful."

In a study published in 1976 by the English department at Queen's University, 26 per cent of fourth year graduates were listed as semi-literate. Of third year graduates, 55 per cent were listed as semi-literate and 8.8 per cent were listed as illiterate.

Mr. MacDonald said the course may be continued in the future. This will depend on the response to the course and the availability of funds.

No delays in grants

Student grants for the winter term of 1977 are coming in and there are no problems as far as Mrs. M.E. Patterson, student awards officer, is concerned.

Although two or three students have not yet received their loans for the fall term of 1976, Mrs. Patterson said there are no other problems.

Students wanting to apply for a loan this term are reminded that the deadline is Jan. 31.

Gangsters wanted

Local authorities are still looking for Mack the Knife.

The search began late last December when auditions were first planned for the musical Three Penny Opera, to be presented in the spring as the Niagara College Theatre Centre decennial project.

Auditions for the play began this week and continue on Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. and Jan. 22 at 1 p.m. at the Theatre Centre on Empire Street.

"Everybody is equal," David Davies, chairman of human development, said. "It's an open, honest-to-God audition."

The whole production is open to the community; "all the artistic, and possibly the musical, aspects will be open to the public at large."

The play, written by Bertolt Brecht, is about gangsters in Soho. The songs are cynical and catchy. The show will run from April 13 to 16 at Centennial High School.

The play is being co-sponsored with the Welland Little Theatre which, with the college, is seeking Wintario funds for the project.

Anyone interested in auditioning for the show is asked to call the Theatre Centre at 735-0550 for an appointment.

Admission prices for the show have not been set, but they will probably be around $2 to $2.50

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Niagara College Theatre Centre

Report commends hardworking nurses

The "hard work the nursing faculty has put into curriculum development was reflected in a favorable report made by a representative of the College of Nursing about Niagara's nursing program.

The report recommended no major curriculm changes be undertaken.

Fred Habermehl, dean of health sciences, said he was very pleased with what the faculty has done.

Janice Legge, and inspector from the College of Nursing, visted the Mack and Niagara centres of nursing from Nov. 23 to Nov. 26. This was the first time the program has been inspected. Inspections are made every two or three years.

Ms Legge was here to assess the diploma nursing program according to standards for basic nursing programs and the criteria for evaluation of diploma nursing programs.

Her summary was that the program meets the standards set.

She did make a few recommendations. During her visit she talked with the dean, faculty members, chairpersons, nursing service directors and student groups. She also visited clinical areas and attended post clinical conferences to aid in her evaluation.

"The report says nursing is on the same footing as any other program in the college and that's good," Mr. Habermehl said.

There will be some revision in the areas where Ms Legge suggested change or improvement.

One suggestion was an increase in formal liaison between nursing and non-nursing faculty within the program. They meet once a year.

She also suggested that non-nursing teachers be included in the Progress Committee which reviews the progress of students each term.

The initial statement of policy as found in reports and the school calendar should be revised to reflect the emphasis that already exists in the program, the report suggests.

She also mentioned that this year's nursing students cannot transfer from one centre to the other during the final term. This is the result of a stopgap measure which allows for instruction taught in the last term at St. Catharines being offered in the second last term at Niagara Falls. It will be revised, Mr. Habermehl said.

90% grad success

Ninety per cent of the nursing students who graduated from Niagara Falls Centre of Nursing have full or part-time employment.

Fifteen or 16 of them are employed at Greater Niagara General Hospital, Miss Evelyn Gay, chairman of nursing, said.

"We were very fortunate. The personnel officer has done a really good job in working them into the present staff," Miss Gay said.

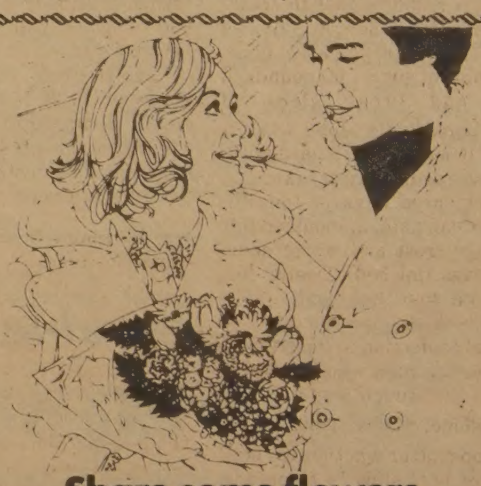
Hospitals in Florida, Texas, Illinois and Michigan have Niagara graduates on staff. Seventeen of the girls are working in the United States.

Two more are working in Canadian hospitals. One is employed in the Maritimes, the second is working in a prairie province.

Breaker ...

Licensed 23-channel Citizen Band radio (CB) owners need not worry about having their sets re-licensed, a spokesman for the department of communications in Hamilton said Jan. 12.

Dan O'Connell, acting radio inspector supervisor, said that, contrary to a report in a local newspaper, 23-channel sets will be re-licensed indefinitely provided the set is licensed before July, 1977.



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Preventive Dental Assistant student Linda Zimmerman scales the teeth of patient Irene Peron. (Photo by Van Tilborg)

Dr. Ted Henderson discusses oral pathology with members of the Preventive Dental Assistant class. (Photo by Van Tilborg)

Fluoride treatment, too

Free dental care offered by PDA s

For anyone tired of waiting months for a dental appointment, the second year Preventive Dental Assistant program (PDA) has a partial solution.

PDA students offer individual dental care and counselling to Niagara staff and students this term in the new dental clinic on the third floor of the Simcoe building.

Last term PDA students worked exclusively with area school children in a program for which parental co-operation was enthusiastic. The program is continuing this term.

The clinic is booking appointments Tuesday and Friday mornings and Tuesday to Friday afternoons.

Mrs. Barbara Zaritsky, program co-ordinator, stressed that anyone connected with the college in any way is welcome to take advantage of this free service.

Appointments will be scheduled from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. A PDA student will scale, polish and apply fluoride to the teeth. The student will take an impression of the patient's teeth for study models or the fabrication of the mouth guards.

The clinic is a form of field practice for PDA students. They apply knowledge gained in their oral pathology classes and make preliminary examinations of the mouth. A full examination is then done by a supervising dentist.

consultation available

CONSULTATION AVAILABLE

A consultant dentist and a teacher are always on hand during the clinics to answer questions.

Confidential dental counselling is done during the three-hour session by the student or the consultant dentist.

An additional appointment is required for a full mouth x-ray by the first year students, assisted by second year students.

If restorative or corrective work is required, results of the x-rays and examination will be supplied to the patient's dentist. No restorative work is done at the clinic.

The consulting dentists are Dr. Ted Henderson, who also lectures in oral pathology; Dr. Peter Typer, who teaches first-year pharmacology; Dr. John Marotta, who lectures in oral histology, and Dr. George Allison.

The second year students have advanced well, Dr. Henderson said.

The clinic handles eight patients a morning and ieight in the afternoon, four days a week. This involes eight PDA students at a time. The remaining nine students attend classes when not assigned to the clinic.

Wednesday and Thursday mornings have been set aside to continue to offer free preventive service to schoolchildren.

PARENTS APPROVE

Parents come with their children to the appointments. They are told about their child's dental needs and referred back to their family dentist, if necessary. Often nutrition or oral hygiene counselling done by the PDA student after the appointmen is sufficient.

The PDA students are enthusiastic about the work of the clinic. Linda Zimmerman, Judy Kaluzny and Lynne Brown spoke of its up-to-pdate facilities and cheerful atmosphere. They said the clinic is like actual work experience and more interesting than straight classroom sessions. They are given a credit for the work in the clinic.

The clinic atmosphere is helped by Sesame Street and Walt Desney mobiles made by the PDA students to amuse their small patients. They assume they will serve the same purpose for adult patients.

French lab

Niagara College has a new two-unit portable language lab made possible by a special government grant to promote French within the community.

Each unit, valued at about $4,500, can accommodate 10 people and does not necessarily have to operate as a pair.

The lab is expected to travel to Niagara Falls to teach French to employees of the Skylon Tower.

Paul Byrne, audio-visual coordinator, said the new lab is similar to the language lab at St. Catharines Collegiate. He said the new units will allow students to listen to taped programs and to converse with the teacher. As well as taping radio and television programs, students can record their own programs.

Ms. Gail Hilyer, chairperson, applied arts extension divison, said the French course taught at the main campus attracts about 50 people per night. She said Niagara College has a solid reputation for teaching languages and the increased demand for language teaching warranted the new portable lab.

A third and smaller language lab was also purchased for about $2,500, and is used in teaching French at Wellandvale.

The language lab also contains a feature which may not be popular with students, in that the teacher can zero in on a student without the student knowing he's being listened to.

Requiem for a CB'er

By ANGUS MIDDLEMISS

Buzz, crackle, crackle bzzzz, bzzzz—Break one-o. Go ahead break...How about a base station...Go ahead, you got it. Thanks for the comeback, good buddy—Can you call out a tow truck to the Quick and Easy Way (Queen Elizabeth Highway) about 1½ miles from Beamsville, please?...Sure thing, good buddy, but it'll be a while before they can get to you, I hear...10-4 for sure.

This conversation was typical of many which crowded the airways Jan.11 when the worst snowstorm this year hit and paralysed the Niagara peninsula. But in many cases the towing requests over the citizen Band Radio (CB) weren't for the CBers themselves—they were for stranded motorists CBers stopped to help.

CBs were very helpful that cold wintry Monday. Accident, weather and road condition reports jammed channel 10. Using the radio helped many truckers avoid accidents which otherwise might have involved them and made the situation worse.

To many CBers the people who spent hours passing on information from base stations to motorists and distant base stations remain faceless voices. One person from the Burlington-Hamilton area operated his station from 6 a.m. until at least after 7 p.m.--he remains a faceless voice.

Trips ended for some CBers before they even started because they were told about road closings before they got too far. These relays cut down the volume of traffic and thus reduced the chance of accidents.

Karen Monck, second year journalism student, her sister and two companions were stranded for nearly five hours Monday night until a trucker with a CB stopped to help.

The four had been driving between Fort Erie and Niagara Falls when they heard the QEW was closed between the two cities. At McLeod Road, they ran out of gas, Karen said, and the closest service station was about four miles away.

They sat helpless on the side of the highway until the trucker came and radioed a base station for a "Smokey" (police officer) to come and give them a ride to a gas station and back again.

"We probably would have sat there a lot longer if that truck hadn't stopped—because no one else did," Karen said.

$20,000 finances French

Niagara will receive a $20,000 grant to help finance a program of French non-credit courses.

The grant is from the department of the secretary of state and will be administered by the ministry of colleges and universities.

The courses began on Jan. 17, and registration for the courses was in early January.

The grant was awarded on a "dollar-for-dollar" basis. The college will have to match each dollar of the grant with its own funds.

David Davies, chairman of the human development division; Ms Gail Hilyer, chairperson of the extension division, and Eric Robinson, chairman of community education and labor and labor management studies, were instrumental in obtaining the grant, I. J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, said.

Courses will be available in women's studies, French as a second language, leather-tooling, coaching, the role of women in Canada, an art course, basic psychology, human relations, and communications.

Part of the grant will be used to aid French participation in Canada Awareness Day at the college.

"This is another indication of our interest in serving the francophone community within our area," Mr. Giancarlo said.

Trouble with math? Visit NC's math lab

A member of the Niagara College staff is involved in the numbers racket.

Alan Tustin, math tutor, has been working in the math lab, helping students with math problems, for three years.

The lab is located in the lower level of the resource centre, but Mr. Tustin said he will be moving into the new Merritt building soon.

Mr. Tustin has helped 540 students with math problems since September. He said the area can also be used for studying; students who use the lab are not restricted to math.

"Things have slowed down since Christmas, but there's always a rush before tests," he said.

According to Mr. Tustin, three or fout former tutors have become full-time members of the math department.

"I've resisted offers; I'm quite content to stay where I am now." Mr. Tustin said.

The math lab is equipped with nine business calculators, but Mr. Tustin said most students carry their own pocket calculators.

"Students come in strictly on a voluntary basis, and if they need special help, they can arrange for a succession of lessons with me," Mr. Tustin said.

McHayle's adaptation a success

By GUDRUN SCHATZLER

A famous 18th century playwright and a 20th century children's play aren't usually associated. D'Arcy McHayle of Niagara not only thought the two could be associated, but made the combination a stage success.

From Moliere's Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme, Mr. McHayle, an instructor at the Niagara College Theatre Centre, wrote a children's story, "Bumpkin Bart, The High Class Clown," which the Theatre Centre performed before Christmas.

"I believe Moliere was a complete theatre person," Mr. McHayle said. "He understood theatre."

The play about a farmer who wins a lottery received "a lot of good response" from the children and adults who came to the productions, but Mr. McHayle wasn't totally satisfied with his adaptation. About 2,400 people saw the performances.

"I have so many dissatisfactions, but that's how it should be," he said. "If a creator is completely satisfied, then he's on the skids."

When Mr. McHayle adapted Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme, he had children in mind.

"The language was simple and brief,"he said. In the Niagara production, extensive use of disco music, fancy costumes and action.

The story stayed fairly close to Moliere with only a few things left out, such as love interests. Instead, Mr. McHayle used the idea of swindling because he felt children would enjoy that more.

"I had to make sure the play had a sort of message," he said. The message was to be yourself.

Mr. McHayle is revising Bumpkin Bart so that there are fewer actors. Last year a theatre in Sudbury asked for the play Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves, which Mr. McHayle also adapted. However, the play was not practical for that theatre since 17 actors were required.

The Arabic language used in Bumpkin Bart made the deepest impression on the children who saw it. The supposed oath of loyalty taken by Bumpkin Bart was based on a childhood prank his older brother played on Mr. McHayle.

The oath of loyalty was: O wha tanas siam.

Repeat it yourself, three times quickly.

Boost in salaries for college faculty

Ontario's community college faculty ratified a new contract Jan. 14 that provides for an annual pay increase of about $1,000 for teaching masters, counsellors and instructors and $1,250 for librarians.

The contract, retroactive to Sept. 1, covers 6,000 teachers and librarians in the 22 community colleges.

The contract was submitted to each college for ratification following a collective agreement reached Dec. 22 between representatives of the employees and the Council of Regents, spokesmen for the colleges.

The new one-year contract sets the minimum salary for a teaching master counsellor at $13,000, an increase from $12,000 last year. Teachers holding a four-year honor university degree will have their maximum salaries increased from $24,000 to $25,400.

Also provided for is an increase in the yearly increment for faculty members who have not yet reached their maximum salary level. This will be raised from $750 to $775.

Bargaining for the 1977-78 contract may commence as early as this month.

First broadcast for RTV students

Niagara Radio and Television students are now sharing lunch time and the dinner hour with peninsula residents.

The first broadcast of Regional Report, a weekly news program put on by second year RTV students, was shown on Jan. 13.

The program, shown live at 12 noon and rebroadcast at 5 p.m., is a full hour of local news, weather, sports and entertainment.

It will also feature short films made by Niagara film students and interviews with regional representatives.

All the work behind and in front of the camera is done by the second year students.

The first program was produced by third year student Barbara Armitage. It featured peninsula news, local sports, a weather forecast and ski conditions, a movie review and an interview with Judy Spence, program director of the YWCA in Niagara Falls.

The film, "Why Not Technology" produced by a former student, Bernadette Secco, was also shown.

Snowstorm fails to hinder NC premiere

There was a lot of action at Niagara College last Monday even though a snowstorm closed the college and slowed the entire peninsula down.

The first live show from Niagara College had its premiere on Cable 10 in St. Catharines and Cable 12 in the southern part of the peninsula.

The show, divided into three parts, was the first in a series that will be produced by Instructional Television Services (ITS) which hires Radio and Television (RTV) students.

The show will be on every Monday night at 6:30 p.m. through to May and will include coverage of parades, live interviews and possibly graduation ceremonies.

Late last year the college and community cable stations agreed to the proposed shows. Discussions for cable television were held several years ago but technical and financial problems stopped the discussions. The two peninsula stations, Maclean-Hunter and Armstrong, will jointly provide the college with technical equipment.

Robert Armstrong, president of Armstrong cable television, who appeared on the show, said cable television "will give the public a chance to see how the college fits into the community." Cable television has about 25,000 viewers, he said.

The first part of the show dealt with the benefits of the cable television system within Niagara College; the second featured the college's decennial and the third was a preview of future shows on cable television.

Paul Davoud, an RTV instructor, said the cable television will give students a practical experience.

"The pressure of real television is on them," he said. "There won't be second chances if they make mistakes."

In the future, courses might be developed to air on cable. But there are a number of obstacles, such as developing the courses and finding experience to deliver the courses on the air, Graham McKinnon, director of college services, said.

"We'll get the job done in the shortest time possible if the need is there," he said.

Keith Lindberg, co-ordinator of ITS and host Gerry Salfi gave previews of upcoming shows planned for cable including sports presentations like basketball games, and community shows on such subjects as homes for the aged and post natal therapy. A show for consumers called "It's Your Money" and "Up Your Grammar", a program on English grammar, will also be shown.

Several decennial events that are open to the public were discussed on the show. Among the events are the Max Webster concert, the Winter Carnival and the Celebrate Canada festival.

CANADIANA : Group of Seven not appreciated at first

By CHRIS PAXTON

Few Canadian artists have ever made a name for themselves, let alone for Canada. The Group of Seven had difficulty making a name for themselves in Canada even though they were successful elsewhere.

The Group of Seven had its beginnings in a group of artists in Toronto who were doing impressionist-style painting. Impressionism is the use of strong bright colors to create a general, rather than detailed, impression of what the artist sees. It is usually used in landscapes.

The group included A. Y. Jackson, Tom Thomson, Arthur Lismer, J. E. H. MacDonald and Lawren Harris. These painters, who were informally known as the Algonquin school, wanted to capture the Canadian spirit in landscapes. They wanted to create a style of art that was truly Canadian. Their early works were ridiculed by critics.

They chose the landscapes of northern Ontario as best representing Canada. Their work was interrupted by the outbreak of war and the death of Thomson while canoeing in 1917.

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Their first shows impressed the critics in the United States and England but received bad reviews from Canadian critics.

The National Art Gallery was asked to assemble the Canadian section of the Wembly exhibit in England in 1923. The Group of Seven's work was chosen and was very successful. English critics gave good reviews to their work; the only bad remarks were from Canadian critics.

The bad reviews didn't discourage them. A.Y.Jackson once said, "We have spent weeks in the bush camping 'till snow drove us out; lived in tents and shacks and tracked all over the north country to find out how to interpret our own country in terms of art, and it is somewhat discouraging to find that one who has spent all of his time in Toronto, not as an artist, but as a newspaper man, should know so much more about the subject than any of us."

As time went by the critics softened somewhat and people began to buy and appreciate their work, especially after their success at Wembly. Other painters began to work in their style and exhibit with them. The Group was disbanded in 1933 but the spirit and style they pioneered was carried on by the individual members and others.

Group of Seven reproductions can be seen in homes and offices all across Canada. The originals are on display at the McMichael Conservation Collection, Kleinburg, Ont. Despite disparaging criticism, the work of The Group of Seven have become a Canadian trademark.

Niagara College has improved

By NELLE OOSTEROM

It's been 10 years since Niagara College of Applied Arts and Technology threw open its doors to the first 423 students. It was one of the 19 other Ontario community colleges which seemed to mushroom overnight that year.

In 1967, the college was little more than a dream. Only a barren 52-acre site existed that June. Now the college comprises seven main campus buildings and six branch campuses with a full-time enrolment of 2,600.

The concept of the community college emerged during a severe shortage of skilled labor in the early 1960s. They were not to be modelled after universities since they do not grant degrees, but neither were they to be like trade schools. The aim was to provide job-oriented education with a solid academic base.

Their creation was largely due to the efforts of William Davis, who was the education minister at that time.

Niagara's first building, Hennepin Hall, was put up in a record 2½ months. The 30-room structure was filled to over-flowing, since actual enrolment far exceeded original expectations.

STILL STAND

It is interesting to note that Hennepin Hall and the Mackenzie building, which houses the gymnasium, were originally temporary buildings, to be removed when the permanent structures were built. However, both buildings still stand.

Over the years, increased emphasis has been placed on community education. Niagara now provides a community information service and part-time enrolment has grown from nothing in 1967 to 12,000 in 1977.

The college introduced several novel programs. When initiated, the Theatre Arts program was the only accredited course in technical theatre arts in Canada. The Institute of Labor and Labor-Management Studies was a new concept in labor education.

Fees have more than tripled since 1967, partly due to a series of financial setbacks. Cutbacks in government grants, inflation and unforeseen expenses have taken their toll. Controlled spending had little effect on student admittance, however. Most qualified applicants had no trouble enrolling. But several building projects were delayed.

The students themselves have changed over the years. Course popularity of technology programs has increased. Dress has gone from neat and natty to sloppy and casual to a strange combination of both.

Student involvement has slipped. More than half the student body voted for student council representatives in earlier years. Now the turnout is less than 20 per cent and shrinking.

Academic standards have been raised. In 1974, the grade point average needed to graduate was pushed from 1.7 to 2 to improve the value of the diploma.

The college is proud of its job placement record, which hovers at about 90 per cent.

This year, the college celebrates its decennial. Doubts can be set aside, at least for the moment. If past performance is any indication, the college has a long and exciting future.

Segregated sauna fits up to 10 people

Niagara College's sauna bath in the gymnasium complex, now open to the student body, will be run on a flexible segregation rule.

The sauna timetable set up by the athletic department has specific times when men or women may use the $1,500 facility.

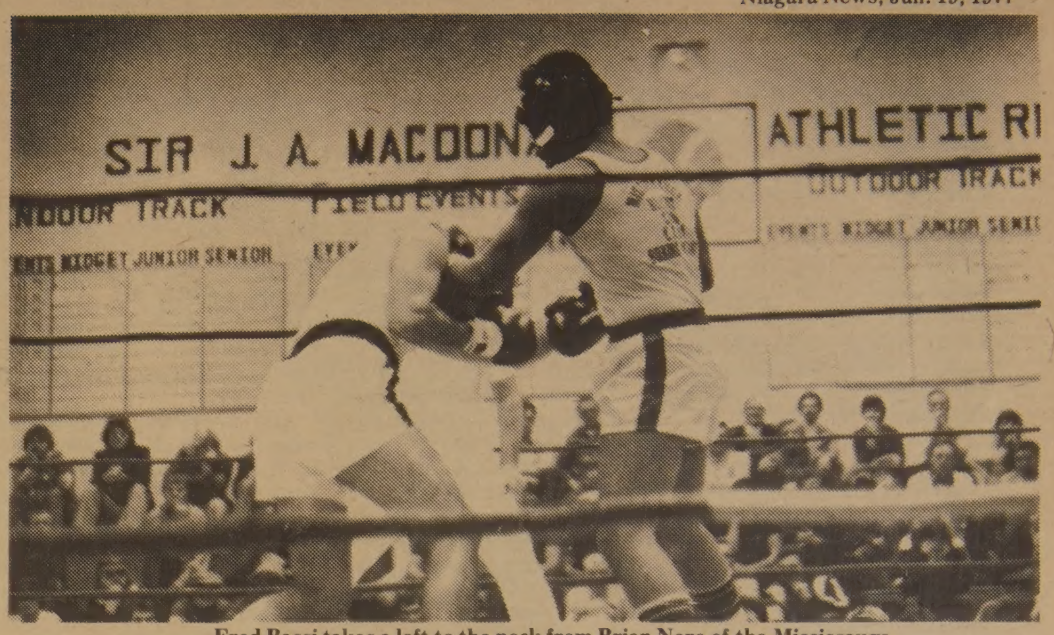
"Say the guys start complaining that the girls are not using it during their time, then I'll open it up to them (the men). If the guys aren't using it, I'll open it up to the girls," Peter Rylander, athletic director, said. "The timetable will be open for changes."

The cedar-lined sauna will accommodate eight to 10 people, and is situated in one of the change rooms of the gym. The dry heat, hot rack sauna was completed in early January by the college work crew.

SAUNA TIMETABLE

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:15	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men
10:20-11:10	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men
11:15-12:05	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men
12:10-1:00	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men
1:05-1:55	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies
2:00-2:50	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies
2:55-3:45	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies
3:50-4:40	Men	Ladies	Men	Ladies	Men

25 points



Fred Bassi takes a left to the neck from Brian Nero of the Mississauga Boxing Club during an amateur boxing match in Hamilton. Bassi won the bout by a unanimous decision over the Toronto boxer.
Photo by Kreamer)

Bassi beats bigger boxer

Batting Fred Bassi continued his winning ways by scoring an unanimous decision over Brian Nero, Mississauga, in a tough, gruelling boxing match in Hamilton.

The afternoon bout, fought mostly along the ropes, pitted the 194-pound, five-foot 11 Bassi against the six-foot, 190 pounder from the Mississauga Boxing Club.

The 32-year-old Niagara College athletics instructor considered the official weight for Nero a little light and said he believed the Toronto fighter to be around the 205 mark.

"This was a hard fight. He hurt me once in the body. He was strong and hit pretty good. But twice for sure I knew I hurt him with my left," Bassi said about the Dec. 12 match at Sir John A. MacDonald High School.

He said he was able to get inside the taller man because Nero, "sort of telegraphed this right by cocking it back before throwing it," creating an opening for the southpaw to land punches and score points.

The fight, undertaken on a week's notice, took the measure of both combatants, as shown by numerous clinches in the third round.

"We were both tired towards the end of the fight, but I had done enough damage that if he wanted to fight any more he knew where I was, and he had to come to me," the Niagara instructor said.

The athletic assistant has two priorities now that his return to the ring has been successful—to fight American golden gloves finalist Larry Green in Buffalo some time in January, and participate in the Ontario Amateur Boxing Championships in April.

The Hamilton bout which saw no knock-downs or cuts was the second match for Bassi in his return to the ring after a 12-year lay-off. On Nov.16,he was awarded a technical knock-out over Tony Merritt in a fight in Buffalo.

Soucie leads NC to win, defeat Conestoga

Niagara College men's basketball team started the sec ond half of the regular schedule off right by steamrolling Conestoga College, Kitchener, 62-45.

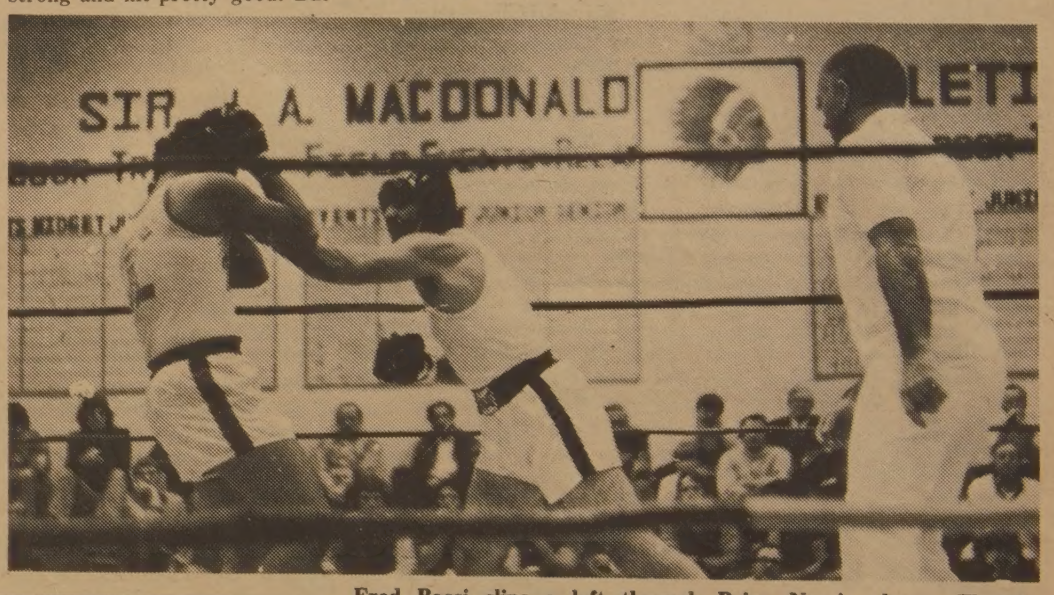
The victory was even sweeter considering Niagara lost the first meeting 73-71 on Dec. 2 at Niagara with the Knights leading in that game by as much as 10 points.

Leading scorers for Niagara were guard Mike Soucie with 25, Ted Kicinski, 10, and forward Terry Krawec, 4.

Eugene Todd's 15 and Rick Hoover's 12 points were Conestoga's only two big shooters.

"Soucie really settled things down," Peter Rylander, coach, said. "He brought maturity to the offence. It was a good team effort and everyone played well. Our defence was good in the first half allowing them only three baskets in the first half of the game."

The game which was played Jan. 12 at Kitchener brought the Knights season record to 2-7. The team hit on 26 of 72 shots from the field for a 36 per cent average.



Fred Bassi slips a left through Brian Nero's gloves. Though outweighted, Bassi out-scored his opponent in the three-round match in Hamilton.
(Photo by Kreamer)

Molson's ski trip a success

Despite some problems, more than 50 students enjoyed the hospitality of the Molson's ski centre in Barrie on Friday, Jan.7.

The most serious mishap occurred when a student injured her arm in a fall, shortly after starting out on the ski course. Liz Antal, first-year secretarial student, tore ligaments in her shoulder when she fell down a small hill.

One bus slid off the road as it was leaving the ski centre, and despite the valiant attempts of the 30 students, a tow-truck had to be called to rescue the bus.

Despite these incidents, everyone, including Liz, appeared to enjoy the skiing and the apres-ski action.

The buses arrived at the ski-park at 1 p.m. After a hectic rush to get skiis, everyone headed out, most for their first attempt at cross-country skiing.

Conditions were excellent, although it was very cold. Everyone appeared to pick up the sport quickly.

About two hours was all anyone could stand in the biting cold and before long everyone adjourned to the Barrel House, the ski centre's hospitality building.

At the Barrel House students were served all the chili they could eat and all the beer they could drink.

After several hours of merry-making, the students piled into the two buses, one of which promply slid into the ditch.

But, the problems did not end after the tow-truck hauled the bus from the ditch. The other bus developed mechanical trouble, and both buses kept close together on the five-hour trip home. Eventually, the bus shuddered to a stop in Fonthill, and everyone piled into the remaining bus for the short trip to the college.

Eugene Lampman, Student Administrative Council Club Convener, expressed some disappointment at the turnout, which was smaller than expected. He said, however, he plans to organize another trip in March, probably for the same $10 price.

Does color comment

Kathy Renwald, a former Niagara College journalism student, returned to help kick-off the instructional television (ITV) department's "Niagara on Cable."

The project, which has a weekly average of six hours of programming for the next 15 weeks on the MacLean-Hunter and Armstrong cable systems, is produced by ITV.

Miss Renwald acted as color commentator on a live televison broadcast of a ladies basketball game on Jan. 12.

Miss Renwald's last year at Niagara was 1974. She went to CHOW radio, Welland, for field practice and was offered a job. She later worked with CJRN in Niagara Falls and is now with CKOC in Hamilton.

She took the job at a radio station instead of a newspaper because "CHOW offered me work and jobs were scarce at that time."

She said that the course prepared her for a job, but said there is nothing like on-the-job training and first-hand experience for sharpening skills.

Station owners are "prejudiced against you at first (being a journalism student) because they think we will be too long-winded in our writing." But, she said, the reporter and the owner both adapt to each other after a while.

Czech press

View from the left:

Canadians 'ruthless'

With 1976 now just a memory we can look back and probably say that it was Canada's biggest year of involvement in international hockey competition.

Tournaments like the Canada Cup, the Soviet Union's Izvestia and the world junior hockey championships in Prague all combined to give us the message that hockey does not stop at our borders.

Add to the list the touring European teams that came to our country in the last month of the year.

The Soviet Union entered a young team in the international major hockey tournament in Alberta to do battle with teams from Ontario, Quebec and the Prairies. The Prague Selects, strengthened by several members of the Czechoslovakian national team, played nine games here versus teams like Nova Scotia Voyageurs of the American Hockey League, Barrie Flyers and Brantford Alexanders of the Ontario Hockey Association Senior A league.

The Soviet's national team fresh from their victory in the Izvestia tourney, also came in December to play World Hockey Association teams, to complete the deal for Winnipeg Jets' participation in the Moscow classic.

Team Porin Assat of Finland, a midget age hockey team, toured southern Ontario last month as guests of the Burlington Minor Hockey Association.

CRITICISM CONTINUES

As the world-wide tournaments become more frequent and we get more exposure to foreign hockey systems, we find that even though east and west are meeting more and more often, the old saying remains essentially true. The twain may meet - but not necessarily amicably.

At the junior championships in Prague, the St. Catharines Fincups were the favorite target of the controlled Eastern press.

Rude Pravo, the communist party daily, commented that the Canadian team, though a strong one, was to a certain extent a disappointment.

"They knew how to play hockey, and as long as they concentrate on playing, their performance is admirable. They spoil the impression by bad habits typical of trans-Atlantic hockey—actions which go far beyond the borderline of toughness."

The Slovak youth daily Smena complained of "frequent ruthless, rough, often cruel, even brutal action by some players, especially Canadians."

"We esteem Canadian hockey, we welcome the participation of Maple Leaf representatives in world tournaments, but we can never reconcile ourselves with their ruthlessness and roughness," the daily said.

"As far as Canadians themselves are concerned, I have been long of the opinion they violate grossly the rules of the game not only in the heat of the battle but intentionally in an effort to intimidate espeically their European opponents and thus to achieve victory," the Smena reporter said.

"They are unfortunately joined by players of some European teams, who seem to think this is the way to prove to the Canadians they are not afraid of them."

EAST MEETS WEST, BUT...

On Dec. 28, the Fincups beat Sweden 5-3, but a brawl between St. Catharines' Joe Contini and the Swede, Jan Hermansson, at the end of the third period gave the papers more ammunition.

The Czech youth daily Mlada Fronta said, "Canaidians began the way they are ev idently taught at home, very uncleanly.

"The American referee tolerated a lot (the fourth goal was scored after two fouls which were not penalized). A boxing match and multiple penalties in the close lost the Canadians in the end all sympathies of the Banska Bystrica spectators."

Roman Catholic Lidova Demokracie said before the game was over, the rink changed into a boxing ring; "some Canadians evidently mistake ice-rink with an arena."

"In the match with Sweden they lacked punch but not unscrupulousness."

As we have accepted the fact that we are no longer the sole hockey power in the world, so must the Soviets and eastern bloc countries.

Neither side can state as fact that its system is the best.

Our team in the Canada Cup tournament was perhaps the most potent entry ever in world competition and deserved the 120-pound nickel status. However, the Soviets destroyed Team WHA'74 by allowing us only one victory in the seven-game series.

Team Canada '72 only eked out the slimmest of victories in the dying moments of the seventh game. The series was at best a toss-up.

The Soviet Union's junior team defeated the St. Catharines Fincups for the world junior hockey championship, but all three Canadian teams at the international junior championships in Alberta soundly trounced the USSR entry.

As of now there is no clear-cut victor in the world hockey wars, just some small time winners. Only future confrontations and time will tell who hs developed the better system. **Paul Kreamer**

Russian view of North American hockey

Free skiing

If you always wanted to learn how to cross-country ski, but were afraid the rentals would be too expensive, then the athletic department has a deal for you.

Use of the college skis for a weekend will cost $3, compared to $7 at most Nordic outlets.

Weekday and overnight rentals will be free to staff and to students who hold student cards.

The college owns 15 pairs of skis which range from 195 to 215 cm. in length. The school will supply poles and boots in European sizes 37 to 44.

The wood-base skis require waxing, and waxes and cork must be purchased by the borrower.

Injuries stop Conestoga

The scheduled hockey game between Niagara and Conestoga College, Kitchener, slated for Jan. 12 was cancelled.

"They seemed to run into injury problems and then couldn't find enough players to fill a team," Fred Bassi, coach of Niagara's squad, said.

The Conestoga game would have been the first regular season game for the ice Knights in the New Year.

With the collapse of Conestoga, the remaining games for the Kitchener college will be evenly divided throughout the league.

"Teams that had played Conestoga twice and beaten them both times will be given only two points," Mr. Bassi said.

Teams that had only played them once will be allowed to keep the win and two points will be awarded to teams which have not met Kitchener yet.

Basketball on live TV real winner

Though Niagara College ladies basketball team lost, the live cable transmission of the game to 25,000 homes was a real winner.

"Tonight went very well; we had some small problems with two promos, but everything else went very smoothly," Keith Lindberg, director of the broadcast, said.

The game was shown live on the MacLean-Hunter and Armstrong Communications cable systems.

According to Mr. Lindberg, co-ordinator of Instructional Television Services (ITV), the figure of 25,000 homes in the peninsula is "strictly potential—we really have no idea how many people actually watched."

The broadcast almost died before it got started because of the late arrival of Centennial College, Toronto, basketball team. The game which was to begin at 7 p.m. was delayed until 7.30.

"If the other team did not show up by 7.30, we would have been forced to cancel the show," Mr. Lindberg said of the Jan. 12 broadcast.

No one can seem to get the handle on the ball in this ladies basketball game between Niagara College and Centennial in the Mackenzie gym. (Photo by Kreamer)

Ladies lose fourth, McKay top scorer, Hillman leads Toronto

With a 16-point surge in the second-half by Centennial College, Toronto, the Niagara College's ladies basketball team dropped a 61-45 decision on Jan. 12 Mackenzie gym.

The score was tied 29-29 at half-time, but the ladies were outdistanced 32-16 in the final 20 minutes.

Sandy McKay was the lone Niagara shooter in double figures with 18 points. Guard Denise Chambers hit for 9 while Iris Christopher added 8.

The tandem of Janis Parkin and Grace Hillman scored 13 each with Geraldine Jacobs chipping in with 8.

Niagara went 11 of 21 from the line while the Toronto crew sank 5 of 16. Niagara tallied a total of 17 field goals, compared to Centennial's 28.

The loss dropped the ladies to a 2-4 won lost record, but lifted Toronto to a 3-3 season mark

It will soon cost Niagara's coffee drinkers an extra nickel to operate this vending machine being cleaned by Jack Hutchison, Niagara Frontier Caterers employee. (Photo by Bunyan)

Strengths and weaknesses show up in college study

Colleges have strengths and weaknesses. Finding out what they are is the purpose of a study being conducted by a Niagara College task force.

The study is part of a province wide community college evaluation. Niagara's evaluation task force is headed by I.J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts.

A survey produced by Queen's University researcher Dr. Allan King is being filled in by everyone involved with the college. Its aim is to pinpoint the college's strong and weak areas, enabling it to serve the needs of the students and community more effectively.

"The survey is very important and is the most visible and time-consuming part of the evaluation process," Graham McKinnon, director of college services, said. "But there are many other evaluation instruments as well, consisting of college data, such as enrolment and budget figures."

Mr. McKinnon heads a work team in charge of collecting and processing pertinent data.

A number of students from each course are being questioned, including part-time, continuing education, graduate and dropout students. All college staff, as well as some local employers and community residents, are included.

"Some are being contacted by telephone or through the mail," John Muto, planning and research officer, said.

"Hopefully it will be done by May."

Physical administration of the survey is conducted by Mr. Muto.

This spring, a visiting evaluation team composed of representatives from other community colleges will make their own appraisal of the college based on the results of the study. To obtain an objective point of view, no Niagara representatives are included on this team.

Representatives from Niagara will take part in evaluating other community colleges.

The team will assemble survey and data information and interview students and faculty to come up with a conclusive evaluation, which it will then turn over to the college.

The study includes both an evaluation of the college as a whole and the assessment of individual programs. In Niagara's case, one program from each of the five schools is being rated, Mr. McKinnon said.

"Regarding program assessment, we turn over the data and analysis to the program co-ordinator, who makes a final report to the Board of Governors."

The ministry of colleges and universities gave each college a grant to finance the study. Dr. King was commissioned by the committee of presidents of community colleges to develop working methods of assessment. The college evaluation teams are appointed by Dr. King.

Coffee price up in near future?

BY DENNY BUNYAN

Niagara's coffee drinkers can probably expect a five-cent jump in the price of their morning brew in the not-too-distant future.

Jim Fannon, vending manager for Niagara Frontier Caterers, the firm that services the campus, said he will not be able to say exactly when the price will rise until he gets a billing from his supplier, "which I hope gets lost in the mail."

"We are going to hold the price as long as we can," Mr. Fannon said. Last year the freeze-dried coffee used in the machine was selling at approximately $4.25 a pound. This year it's up to $8 per pound and still rising.

Mr. Fannon said students at Brock University are already paying 25 cents a cup for coffee but that campus is serviced by a different vending company.

He said he does not expect a big drop in sales because of the increase.

R. Kane, owner of another area vending service, expressed similar feelings, saying, "People's habits don't change and we don't anticipate a large drop in sales."

Those thinking of switching to tea or hot chocolate will not be saving money. The machines have only one change machanism. Prices will go up across the board.

A check of about 30 local restaurants showed that prices are on the increase there, too. About half of the establishments surveyed have already raised their prices and others plan to follow soon.

Prices for a cup of coffee in a Welland restaurant range from 20 cents to 50 cents in some of the more exclusive establishments.

Seeking student volunteers

Volunteer Niagara is a non-profit organization which fills requests from community organizations said Volunteer Niagara will be seeking student volunteers from the college. She said that the experience would be valuable, particularly to those taking social science courses.

The organization fills requests from community organizations and social service agencies for volunteer help with such activities as the John Howard society education programs working with disabled children and handicapped adults. Volunteers can be placed in areas of interest and aptitude.

There are only three full-time staff members in Volunteer Niagara. An organization funded by a Local Initiatives Program (LIP) grant.

The organization is appealing to social science students to give them an opportunity to put into practice the things they learn in class.

"To get people to volunteer you have to show them what they can get out of it," Mrs. Haycock said.

Let's play Timetable!

By TIM MASON

With its color-coded tags, rectangular shapes and numbers, it first appears to be something out of New Price Is Right or High Rollers.

Instead, it is a timetabling board, a game paying off in shattered nerves and headaches for those willing to challenge it.

"It's very time-consuming, and a very thankless job," explained Dennis Malone, chairman of English division. "You get more brickbats than bouquets."

"I love it," said Bill Munroe, human relations co-ordinator, who said he meant what he said. Mr. Munroe who serves with Mr. Malone as the applied arts representatives in the timetabling game, estimates timetabling stretches into 40 hours of work a week for himself at certain periods of the year.

Timetabling is done manually, rather than by computer. So many factors are involved that by the time a computer could be programmed, the job would already have been done, Mr. Malone said.

The game of timetabling is played in a tiny space by the Hamilton Room, and involves shifting rooms and times with instructors and courses. "It's very complex," Mr. Malone said.

The addition of the Lundy wing had relieved some of the hassles of timetabling. Space has always been a problem and some teachers prefer certain rooms over others.

Co-ordinators are asked to submit suggestions concerning timetabling of their courses before the jockeying for times and rooms begins.

Problems arise in courses where field practice eliminates a day or two of teaching. Social work students, on field practice two days per week, enjoy 22 classes in three days. Mr. Malone said he realizes this is a tough load for students, but that "every effort is made to make it as easy as possible for students and instuctors."

Avoiding scheduling a single class in the afternoons after a sold block of morning classes is a priority when timetabling. "It takes a great many hours because there is a sincere effort made to arrive at the best for all," Mr. Malone said.

It seems timetabling is a job in itself.

14 more students

Jan. enrolment up

January enrolment figures indicate a small increase over the same time last year, John Parrett, assistant registrar, said.

"The number of students registered by the early registration procedure was pretty well what we expected," Mr. Parrett said.

There were 1,992 students registered on Jan. 11, as compared to 1,978 last year at the same time.

Applied arts and business increased to 743 and 377, respectively.

Health sciences decreased 81 students from last winter term, from 437 last year to 352 this year. This is due to a ministry of colleges and universities order to reduce nursing enrolment.

Technology declined in enrolment from the same time last year. Three hundred and seventy-seven have enrolled, compared to 359 last winter term.

Mr. Parrett said he expects about 2,100 students to be registered, counting the expected 85 from the hotel program and another 25 students who may register late.

There was an incease in the general college program and the general business courses.

Mr. Parrett explained registration in these programs increased because more and more high schools are moving to the semester system and the students are finishing in January.

'Personality conflict' 2nd SAC V-P resigns

A "personality conflict" within the Student Administrative Council (SAC) executive has resulted in the resignation of the vice-president of finance.

Debbie Cole resigned from her position on the executive Dec. 8.

Debbie said she resigned because of a "personality conflict between Mr. Rapone, Mr. Macsai and myself—they have their own little duet going."

Guido Rapone is the SAC executive vice-president and Adam Macsai is the SAC president.

"I just didn't enjoy being on council any longer," Debbie said.

Adam said he had no commemt regarding Debbie's reason for resigning but would like her to stay on council. He said SAC members would meet with her to try to convince her to stay.

Debbie is the second member of the 1976-77 SAC executive to resign. Barb Hardy resigned as vice-president of athletics in September.

NC offers coaching course

A course is being offered by Niagara College for amateur coaches who want to receive formal training in the art and science of coaching.

The National Coaching Development program is offered by the college in co-operation with the sports and fitness division of the ministry of culture and recreation.

The program was developed 2½ years ago to enable coaches to learn general coaching principles, and to apply these principles to various sports situations.

The course is being taught across Canada at colleges, universities and recreation centres.

Sessions are being offered in Welland, at Niagara College, and in Niagara Falls, at the Niagara Falls Centre of Nursing.

The Welland sessions are held Tuesdays and Thursdays from Jan.18 to Feb.8, and the Niagara Falls sessions Mondays and Wednesdays from Jan.17 to Feb.9.

The course is offered at five different levels and a coach may take only one, or all five. It is recommended that a coach take the general theory course of one level, then follow it with the sport specific technical course. Once he completes the theory, technical and practical requirements of one level, he will then be certified for the next.

If a coach chooses to take all five levels, he is qualified as an international coach.

Once a coach has taken the theory and technical, he can then apply the knowledge acquired by actually coaching. When possible, the coaches are given on-the-scene evaluations by regional and area representatives of the sports governing body. At present, 60 provincial sports governing bodies are working in co-operation with the provincial government.